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Crown Neck Container Gripping Device  
David Tye

CLIENT/MATTER NO.: 021878.0005US1

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Application No.: 10/678,901

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For: Crown Neck Container Gripping Device

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## AMENDMENT OR RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION--TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment after final rejection (37 C.F.R. 1.116) for this application.

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**STATUS**

2. Applicant is a small entity A statement was already filed

**EXTENSION OF TERM**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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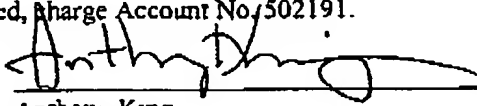
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Sir or Madam:

This paper responds to the Final Office Action dated December 19, 2005. Please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.